



**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA  
SPECIAL JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND  
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING OF: APRIL 23, 2003  
BUDGET WORKSHOP**

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- CALL TO ORDER
- ANNOUNCEMENT RE: COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETING LAW
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**MINUTES:**

PRESENT: MAYOR GOODMAN and COUNCIL MEMBERS REESE, M. McDONALD (excused at 11:15 a.m.), BROWN, L.B. McDONALD (arrived at 9:10 a.m.), WEEKLY (arrived at 9:30 a.m.), and MACK

Also Present: CITY MANAGER DOUG SELBY, DEPUTY CITY MANAGER STEVE HOUCHENS, DEPUTY CITY MANAGER BETSY FRETWELL, CITY ATTORNEY BRAD JERBIC, and CITY CLERK BARBARA JO RONEMUS

ANNOUNCEMENT MADE – Meeting noticed and posted at the following locations:

Las Vegas Library, 833 Las Vegas Boulevard North

Senior Citizens Center, 450 E. Bonanza Road

Clark County Government Center, 500 S. Grand Central Parkway

Court Clerk's Bulletin Board, City Hall

City Hall Plaza, Posting Board

(9:10)

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MAYOR GOODMAN led the audience in the Pledge.

(9:10 – 9:11)

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**DEPARTMENT: FINANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICES**

**DIRECTOR:** MARK R. VINCENT

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CONSENT

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DISCUSSION

**SUBJECT:**

Discussion and review of the Fiscal Year 2004 City of Las Vegas Tentative Budget

**Fiscal Impact**

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No Impact

**Amount:**

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Budget Funds Available

**Dept./Division:** Budget and Finance Division

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Augmentation Required

**Funding Source:**

**PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:**

Review and discussion fiscal year 2004 City of Las Vegas Tentative Budget as filed with the Nevada Department of Taxation on April 15, 2003.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

No action required.

**BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:**

FY 2004 City of Las Vegas Tentative Budget

Submitted at City Council meeting – Proposed CIP funding worksheet

Submitted at City Council meeting – Updated proposed CIP funding worksheet

Submitted at City Council meeting – Comments by Tom McGowan

**MOTION:**

None required.

**MINUTES:**

NOTE: A combined Verbatim Transcript of Items 1 and 2 is made a part of the Final Minutes under Item 1.

**APPEARANCES:**

DOUG SELBY, City Manager

BARBARA JO RONEMUS, City Clerk

MARK VINCENT, Director, Finance and Business Services

CANDY FALDER, Budget and Finance Division

STEVE HOUCHENS, Deputy City Manager

BETSY FRETWELL, Deputy City Manager

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Finance and Business Services

Item 1 - Fiscal Year 2004 City of Las Vegas Tentative Budget

**MINUTES – Continued:**

APPEARANCES:

PAUL WILKINS, Director, Building and Safety

BILLIE BASTIAN, Recreation Division, Leisure Services Department

JOHN McNELLIS, Deputy Director, Public Works Department

BARBARA JACKSON, Director, Leisure Services Department

JOE MAVIGLIA, 1695 Fairhaven Street

TOMMY RICKETTS, President, Las Vegas City Employees Association

TODD FARLOW, 240 North 19<sup>th</sup> Street

TOM McGOWAN, Las Vegas resident

NOTE: COUNCILMAN BROWN directed DEPUTY CITY MANAGER STEVE HOUCHENS to provide information on the percentage of the commercial market that drives the City's budget versus the residential permits.

NOTE: MAYOR GOODMAN asked MARK VINCENT, Director, Finance and Business Services, for a copy of the anticipated tax revenue that the City would get from the Chelsea Properties.

NOTE: COUNCILMAN MACK indicated that the YMCA is replicating services provided by the Molasky Community School. He asked that the Cadwallader Community School be a temporary facility until the Centennial Hills Community Center is ready.

NOTE: COUNCILMAN BROWN recommended that on Alexander/Hualapai, the proposed budget be changed to \$1.5 million.

NOTE: COUNCILMAN BROWN asked DR. BARBARA JACKSON, Director, Leisure Services Department, to include in next year's summary report information on the proximity of City centers from each other, as well as the proximity to private entities, such as the Boys and Girls Club so that services are not being duplicated.

NOTE: COUNCILMAN BROWN asked that the City Manager look at the relationship between the City's project management team, inclusive of architects, the bid process, the developer and to the ultimate City employee who oversees the project, so that problems that arose at the Doolittle Center do not reoccur.

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Finance and Business Services

Item 1 - Fiscal Year 2004 City of Las Vegas Tentative Budget

**MINUTES – Continued:**

NOTE: COUNCILMAN BROWN asked that before the Final Budget action is taken that the Council be briefed on the two new theater technician positions. He does not believe that special events should be the reason that these two positions are added. In addition, he asked that the special event policy be re-evaluated.

NOTE: During Citizen Participation COUNCILMAN BROWN asked that the Durango Hills situation be discussed during the Final Budget hearing.

(9:11 – 10:10)

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**Fiscal Impact**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

No action required.

**BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:**

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Finance and Business Services

Item 2 - Fiscal Year 2004 City of Las Vegas Redevelopment Agency Tentative Budget

**MINUTES – Continued:**

APPEARANCES:

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**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

Items raised under this portion of the City Council/Redevelopment Agency Agenda cannot be deliberated or acted upon until the notice provisions of the Open Meeting Law have been met. If you wish to speak on a matter not listed on the agenda, please step up to the podium and clearly state your name and address. In consideration of others, avoid repetition, and limit your comments to no more than three (3) minutes. To ensure all persons equal opportunity to speak, each subject matter will be limited to ten (10) minutes.

**MINUTES:**

JOE MAVIGLIA, 1695 Fairhaven Street, asked that the \$300,000 earmarked for rent subsidies could be utilized in a manner to help the homeless community. He indicated that mobile home parks are being destroyed because the cost of the rental space is prohibitive and it costs too much to refurbish them. His intention is to acquire these mobile homes and make them livable and ready for occupancy, with an approximate \$350.00 monthly rent. Since he is a non-profit corporation, retrofitting materials are either donated or inexpensive. Most of the mobile homes will have furniture, utensils, as well as clothing so that when a person moves in their expenses will be minimal. These homes will be available to those individuals who are homeless and individuals coming out of prison that need adequate living space. MAYOR GOODMAN mentioned that he would discuss this issue with SHARON SEGERBLOM, Director, Neighborhood Services.

(11:35 – 11:40)

**2-2166**

TOMMY RICKETTS, President, Las Vegas City Employees Association, questioned the reason for plasma TVs being put in the new fire stations. He mentioned that the Doolittle architectural design does not fit into the community. He also questioned why the bathrooms at City Hall are being remodeled and plans to install granite countertops at a cost of \$20,000 per floor when they are in perfect condition. He suggested that the City look at a four-day workweek or experimenting with the idea to see if it can be cost-efficient. MR. RICKETTS asked that before the City looks at eliminating any positions, that they are justified, and the affect on hourly or temporary employees. According to a provision of NRS 288 the collective bargaining agreement calls for the hiring of full-time City employees.

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### Citizen Participation

#### **MINUTES – Continued:**

MR. RICKETTS suggested that the City use the money approved to subsidize the YMCA Northwest Leisure Center utility bills for the construction of the City Hall campus or for the renovation of other City facilities. He asked why the City is spending money on an EMA consultant at the Waste Water Treatment Plant when there are qualified City employees that can provide that service. Finally, he indicated that using what the City has, such as the TV studio, could create revenues. He suggested that special events be videotaped and sold to the public.

(11:40 – 11:45)

**2-2336**

COUNCILMAN BROWN indicated that during discussion of the April 2, 2003 meeting on the Metro budget, conversation was held regarding labor costs for both contracted and appointive employees. He was disappointed that MR. RICKETTS communicated the wrong information to the Las Vegas City Employees Association members that employees would be laid off and taxes raised. His dialogue with the Sheriff was that not just the City Council, but the employees and management have to be part of the solution to create that next generation of public agency employee. The City Council only sets policy, and that means nothing unless management and the employees buy into it. Current City employees' jobs are contractually protected. The growth in the Valley is going to continue to demand services. No one is in jeopardy of losing their jobs, but the question is what will happen five, ten or fifteen years from now from a public agency standpoint. It is very selfish not to be part of that dialogue and part of the solution. He opined that the City is trying to create an environment where not only today's employee is protected, but the future of public services. He concluded that a recent consultant survey indicated that 95% of the employees are pleased with their salaries, benefits, and working environment. The City of Las Vegas has a lot to be proud of and those people that do the day-to-day operations should be congratulated.

(11:45 – 11:48)

**2-2521**

TODD FARLOW, 240 North 19<sup>th</sup> Street, asked about the seven priorities mentioned on the slide. He indicated that both the City and County should finance the Las Vegas Wash Park through sewer fees. He pointed out that in 1978 the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) was to build the Arbor Hills Park and urged the Council to pressure NDOT to ensure that they build that park. Regarding the discussion about the 8,000 new hotel rooms, he pointed out that those are located in the County. The City should work toward getting those tourists to come downtown and this can be accomplished by getting the monorail project to come downtown. He concluded that the parking fees at Neonopolis should be revisited because no one parks there.

(11:48 – 11:50)

**2-2754**



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Citizen Participation

## **MINUTES – Continued:**

TOM McGOWAN, Las Vegas resident, commented on the budget, City Departments' inefficiencies, and other issues. His additional comments were made a part of the final minutes.

(11:50 – 11:5)

**2-2896**

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:55 A.M.**